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SUBJ: 29TH UNGA: SECOND COMITE, ITEM 12: DRAFT RESOLUTION
ON DEVELOPING ISLAND COUNTRIES, L. 1354 REV. 1

REF: STATE 243743

1. DRAFT RES FORMALLY INTRODUCED IN SECOND COMITE BY
PHILIPPINES (VERCELES) A.M. 15 NOV AS REV 1 WITH
FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL ORAL AMENDMENTS INTRODUCED BY THE
PHILIPPINES:

A) IN OP PARA 1 LINE 6 OMIT THE WORDS "THE
INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT"
AND IN LINE SEVEN ADD AFTER THE WORD "ORGANIZATION"
THE WORDS "INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS, REGIONAL
DEVELOPMENT BANKS."

B) CHAIR ANNOUNCED THAT JAPAN HAD JOINED AS CO-SPONSOR.

2. IN INTRODUCING THE RES THE PHILIPPINES:

A) CALLED ATTENTION TO THE MENTIONS TO DEVELOPING ISLAND
COUNTRIES CONTAINED IN THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION; NAMELY,
PARA 1 OF THE INTRODUCTION, PARA I, 2(F) ON FOOD, PARA I,
4(E) ON TRANSPORTATION AND PARA II, 2(I) ON THE INTERNATIONAL
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B) SAID THAT THROUGH AN "UNFORTUNATE OMISSION" THER WAS

NO MENTION OF DEVELOPING ISLAND COUNTRIES ON PART X (SPECIAL PROGRAMME) OF THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION AND THAT WHILE THE PHILIPPINES WOULD PREFER TO SEE THAT OVERSIGHT RECTIFIED AT THIS TIME IT WAS AWARE THAT AN ATTEMPT TO DO SO WOULD "STIR UP A HORNETS NEST" AND THUS THE PHILIPPINES WOULD BE CONTENT AT THIS JUNCTURE TO SIMPLY HIGHLIGHT THE MOST RELEVANT PROVISIONS OF THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION THAT ALREADY REFERTO THE NEEDS OF DEVELOPING ISLAND COUNTRIES.

3. THE DEPARTMENT WILL NOTE THAT IN REV 1 OF L.1354 CHANGES FROM THE ORIGINAL DRAFT RESLUTION HAVE BEEN MADE IN PREAMBULAR PARA TWO AND IN OP PARAS ONE, TWO AND THREE. USUN BELIEVES THAT THE CHANGES MADE IN PREAMBULAR PARA TWO AND OP PARA ONE HAVE SOLVED THE DIFFICULTIES THE DEPARTMENT HAD PREVIOUSLY EXPRESSED IN PARAS TWO AND THREE OF REFTEL.

4. SOME OF THE REVISIONS MADE IN OP PARA TWO OF L.1354 REV 1, NAMELY, SUBSTITUTING THE WORDS "PROGRAMME OF ACTION UNDER" FOR THE WORDS "SPECIAL PROGRAMME LAUNCHED" OBVIOUSLY LEAVES US WITH AT LEAST ONE REMAINING MAJOR DIFFICULTY WITH THIS RES. USUN BELIEVES THAT IF THE WORDS "RELEVANT PROVISIONS OF" OR "PERTINENT PROVISIONS OF" WERE ADDED AFTER THE WORDS "IN ACCORDANCE WITH" THAT OP PARA TWO WOULD BE SUFFICIENTLY DILUTED RE ITS REFERENCE TO THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION TO BE ACCEPTABLE TO THE U.S.

ACTION REQUESTED: THAT BY 2 P.M. 18 NOVEMBER THE DEPARTMENT FURNISH USUN WITH UPDATED INSTRUCTIONS ON REV 1354 REV 1 AS FURTHER ORALLY REVISED.
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